

in line 27, cancel "[sic]".

On page 6, below line 2, insert the following paragraph:

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5     -- Although modifications and changes may be suggested by those of ordinary skill in the art, it is the intention of the inventors to embody within the patent warranted hereon all changes and modifications as reasonably and properly come within the scope of their contribution to the art.--

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

On page 7, in line 1, cancel "Patent Claims" substitute --I CLAIM

AS MY INVENTION:--therefor.

10     Please cancel claims 1-10 and substitute the following claims 11-20 therefor:

11.   A method for storing search features of an image sequence, said method comprising the steps of:

15       determining said search features from said image sequence; and storing said features together with said image sequence.

12.   The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features are at least one of audio data and video data of said image sequence.

13.   The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features comprise a reference to an image within said image sequence for assisting in accessing said image within said image sequence.

14.   The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features are stored as a prefix to said image sequence.

15.   The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features are stored appended to said image sequence.

16. The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features are stored in said image sequence.

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17. The method as claimed in claim 16, wherein search features for an image scene of said image sequence, said image scene being initiated by an intra-image defined according to the MPEG standard, are stored as a prefix to said intra-image.

18. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein each image scene of said image sequence is stored in a database.

19. The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein separate search features for several object that are contained in said image sequence according to image coding standards are respectively stored together with said image sequence.

20. The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein said search features can be unambiguously identified by a predetermined start code.

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